

HOUSE RESOLUTION 326

By Hicks

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Mary Edith Carr Wright on the celebration of her 100th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Mary Edith Carr Wright will celebrate her 100th birthday on May 13, 2018, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, born in Grainger County, Mary Wright is the daughter of John and Hannah Carr and the sixth of eight children; she and her family later moved to Mooresburg, where she attended Mooresburg Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Wright was saved at the age of fourteen and joined Spruce Pine Missionary Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 1936, Mary Carr was joined in marriage with Raymond Wright, and the couple had seven children: Mae Drinnon, Scottie Brooks, Sherman Wright, Goldie Drinnon, Ray Wright, Shirley Lawson, and Mike Wright; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Wright is the treasured grandmother of sixteen grandchildren, twenty-five great-grandchildren, and seventeen great-great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, in addition to creating a nurturing environment for her family as a homemaker, Mary Wright worked on a farm and served as a custodian at Lake View School until her retirement in 1978; and

WHEREAS, a skilled quilter, Mrs. Wright enjoys canning, as well; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Wright evinces her devout religious faith at Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church, where she is the oldest living member; and

WHEREAS, as Mary Wright enters her eleventh decade, she is still an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events, as her health permits; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and congratulate Mary Edith Carr Wright on the celebration of her 100th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.